

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

The present application is a continuation of co-pending parent U.S. Patent Application No. 10/108,466, filed March 29, 2002. The present continuation application is submitted to prosecute new Claims 9-16. Claims 1-8 are canceled by the present amendment. Applicants submit that new claims are supported by the originally filed specification, thus, it is believed no new matter is added.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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